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Views Of An Eminent Authority

To the Editors: The administration should be viewed more in sorrow than in anger. Apparently, its right hand doesn't know what its left is doing.

The administration is constantly embarrassed by its own man in Egypt, Colonel Nasser. It is an open secret in Washington, it is freely expressed in the foreign offices of Western Europe and it is a categorical statement of British intelligence that the American Central Intelligence Agency encouraged and financed Colonel Nasser to overthrow the pro-Western government of General Naguib.

In power, and with large sums of American secret intelligence money in his hands, Colonel Nasser turned to Moscow. When America consequently reneged on its promise to finance the High Aswan Dam, Nasser was understandably angry. He had been given to understand that he had Washington in his pocket.

It is, of course, possible that all the rumors from all sources are inaccurate. But they are powerful rumors believed to be true by important foreigners and Americans and they contribute nothing to confidence in the administration.

The Senate should question the comptroller general of the United States in secret session. If the allegations of those who quote British intelligence and the rumors rife in Washington and in European capitals are correct, the comptroller general could substantiate them. If not, a grievous burden could be lifted from the shoulders of CIA, already staggering under widely-circulated charges of having damaged American security by passing misinformation or no information from China, Korea and, now, Iraq, to an administration too often taken by surprise.

That CIA and the State Department are trying to cover their traces appears from the "inspiration" apparently given commentators. The line is "Arab revolutioners are forged in the spirit of 1776," and "President Nasser overthrew the corrupt and tyrannical government of Egypt's King Farouk."

While its government is suffering from misinformation and no information, the public must be able to see in honest perspective.

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The American War of Independence was fought to separate the colonies from the mother country. Colonel Nasser's campaign of assassination, intimidation and revolution is waged to extend his Moscow-led dictatorship over lands that have recently won their independence.

It was General Naguib who overthrew King Farouk. Colonel Nasser overthrew the democratic, pro-Western regime of General Naguib, much as Lenin, Trotsky and Stalin overthrew the democratic Russian regime of General Kerensky.

If their government will not give them news and if commentators try to clean up the mess left by official government agencies, the public must carefully examine the propaganda flooding so much of our airwaves. And the Senate should investigate CIA, beginning by an examination of the cloak and dagger books in the hands of the comptroller general.

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